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1. REF UNCLASSIFIED TELEGRAM DATED 10 DECEMBER IS AFSA TELEGRAM TO AFSA REPRESENTATIVES (A) PROVIDING BACKGROUND TO HOUSE WASH AND MEANS COMMITTEE REPORTING OUT H.R. 17488 MAKING ALL FOREIGN SERVICE OVERSEAS ALLOWANCES TAXABLE AND (B) IN PARA 6 REF, RECOMMENDING THAT AFSA MEMBERS AT POST IMMEDIATELY CALL THEIR CONGRESSMEN AND SENATORS URGING THEM NOT TO PASS THIS BILL.

2. WISH ADVISE THAT FOR SECURITY REASONS STATION PERSONNEL NOT REPEAT NOT PARTICIPATING IN ABOVE RECOMMENDATION. HOWEVER, WISH REGISTER WITH HEADQUARTERS STATION PERSONNEL UNANIMOUS VIEW THAT ABOVE BILL WOULD WORK SERIOUS HARDSHIP ON OUR PERSONNEL AND HENCE REQUEST THAT HEADQUARTERS, IN ANY DISCUSSIONS WITH CONGRESS, INCLUDE OUR VIEW CONCERNING ADVERSE EFFECTS OF THIS BILL, IF PASSED, AND HENCE ENCOURAGE ITS NON-PASSAGE. E2, IMPDET